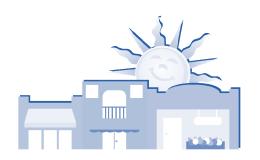
# Sunnyvale SUMMER 2002 BUSINESS PAGE



The Economic Development Newsletter for Sunnyvale Businesses

## Downtown Sunnyvale is Changing

You have probably noticed the changes occurring in downtown Sunnyvale. The following will give you a description and an update on the current stage for each project.

#### Multi-Modal Transit Station (Caltrain)

This project includes two phases. Phase I is under construction and includes an elevator clock tower, a three-story 400-space parking structure and ticketing facility, and 100 bike lockers. The design includes precast concrete and a brick facade with wire mesh and some ornamental metalwork, a vaulted entry/gateway to the ticketing and platform areas, and a covered waiting/seating area. Phase I is expected to be completed by the end of this year.

Phase II will include a transit plaza with special paving, 100 surface parking spaces, a passenger and shuttle drop off/queuing area, and related surface and landscape improvements. Also included are outdoor seating, landscaping, three automated parking ticket dispensers, three public telephones, and information signage. The existing Caltrain Station is proposed for demolition as part of Phase II, which will start construction in the fall.

#### Town Center Mall

The mall has put a hold on construction expansion plans. Potential buyers of the mall have reviewed the approved plans and are contemplating changes. Additional information will be provided as it becomes available to us from current or future mall owners.

#### Mozart Development

This project is generally located on Mathilda Ave. bound on the south side by Washington Ave. and on the north side by Evelyn Ave. The project includes the following:

- •450,000 square feet of Class A office space in three buildings ranging from five to six stories 10,000 square feet designated for retail and restaurant space, which will face toward the corner of Washington Ave. and Aries Way
- A plaza area located at the corner of Evelyn Ave. and Frances St.

Expected completion date for this project is end of this year.

Updates on downtown construction are available from two sources: Downtown Hotline: 408-737-4900, www.ci.sunnyvale.ca.us/downtown

Remember, downtown Sunnyvale businesses remain open during construction. Support your local merchants! Shop Sunnyvale!

# New Business Service Center Makes it Easy to Connect

To better serve the business community, NOVA, in partnership with the CONNECT! collaborative, has consolidated services into one convenient location. The new CONNECT! Business Service Center (located on the third floor of 465 S. Mathilda Avenue in Sunnyvale) opened in June and will serve as a highly efficient one-stop resource for local businesses. Silicon Valley companies both large and small can take advantage of the center's multiple services, including transition management assistance, staffing, training, and teleconferencing.

Through the CONNECT! Business Service Center, NOVA's Business Liaison team can assist local businesses with human resource needs, and can provide information regarding employee education, training, and retention programs. The Business Liaison team will also link your business to the world of federal-and state-funded programs and tax incentives. Many of these training programs are also coordinated at the center, including TechForce and the Skills Gap program, which provide a multitude of IT training classes for your employees at no cost to your business. The Business Service Center also plays host to the Center for Applied Competitive Technologies (CACT), and NOVA's Labor Market Information programs, which provide in-depth industry reports and up-to-date occupational outlooks. A state-of-the-art teleconferencing center is also available by appointment.

"The creation of the CONNECT! Business Service Center truly exemplifies the value of community partnerships," said NOVA Director Mike Curran.



#### 3rd International Street Faire 2002

Open invitation to Sunnyvale businesses to participate in the International Street Faire 2002!



Applications available on our award-winning website: www.ci.sunnyvale.ca.us/leisure-services



"Without the generous support of local companies like Solectron, the CONNECT! Business Service Center would not have been possible. Furthermore, by channeling the services of the NOVA Business Liaisons, Skills Gap Program, TechForce, Labor Market Information, and CACT into one convenient location, the teams will be better able to work together to serve businesses more efficiently. The message is clear—when businesses and workforce development organizations work together, the entire Silicon Valley community benefits."

The CONNECT! Business Service Center is open Monday through Friday, 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. For more information about the center and its programs, please call 408-730-7830 or visit www.novaworks.org.

## Council Approves Conceptual Plaza Design

On June 4, the City Council approved a conceptual downtown plaza design prepared by Amphion Environmental, Inc., and provided direction to staff on design enhancements, plaza size and schedule. The approved conceptual design consists of a 1.6-acre "basic" plaza design. Council directed staff to meet with the property owners and other stakeholders in the north of Washington area on alternative parking proposals to meet the parking needs and expand the size of the plaza.

Council reordered the plaza enhancement priorities to include a significant water feature, restrooms and labyrinth. These items will be included as Additive Alternates in the Bid Package. Council further directed staff to explore options that may result in a completed project in a shorter time.

Council endorsed a budget for design and construction of downtown plaza of approximately \$5,721,700. In addition, Council directed staff to pursue additional funding for the plaza to enhance design per a revised tiered list of enhancement priorities.

#### **Design Contract Awarded to Amphion**

On June 18, Council approved Budget Modification #32 for a plaza budget of \$5,721,700

for design, construction, and project administration. They also directed staff to evaluate currently funded projects and provide recommendations for defunding to fund the remaining \$599,654 and award of contract to Amphion Environmental, Inc., for plaza design and construction support services.

#### Estimated Plaza Schedule

Design and Construction Documents—Completion Jan. 2003. Construction (estimated one year)—Completion Jan. 2004.

If you have any questions, please contact Erin Walters, Associate Planner, at 408-730-7257.



## Additional Recycling Resources Are Now Available Online

Finding recycling resources for your business just got easier. You can visit the City's Commercial Recycling web site at www.ci.sunnyvale.ca.us/recycle (Commercial Services link) to find out where you can recycle materials currently in your company's waste stream. More than 30 different material types are listed. By getting recyclable materials out of your garbage container, you may be able to reduce your garbage service and save your company money (even if you have recycling service fees).

For more information on waste reduction, recycling, or buying recycled, call the Commercial Recycling Program at 408-730-7484.



### SANANANTE SAUMES SEBIES

Every Wednesday through August 28, we will be celebrating summertime in downtown Sunnyvale. Once again, enjoy wonderful music, flowers, arts & crafts, and the freshest fruits and vegetables. This year we will be featuring a different local restaurant each week with a sample of their menu.

Location: Murphy Avenue Time: 5:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. When: Every Wednesday

July 31st • Simply Soul

August 7th • Rene Solis and The Persuaders

August 14th • The Hitmen

August 21st • The Jumpin Jambalaya Jazz Band

August 28th • The Blu-Crocodiles

Participating Restaurants:

Bamboo Garde

Banjara

Del Monte

Dishdash

Fibbar MaGees

il Postale

Scruffy Murphy's

Stoddards

For information, call 408-736-4971



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### **Upcoming Events**

• Sept 2 - City Hall Closed for Labor Day Holiday

•Sept 21 - International Street Faire

•Oct 26 - Halloween Harvest Festival For more information, call 408-730-7350

•Nov 28-29 - City Hall Closed for Thanksgiving Holiday

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